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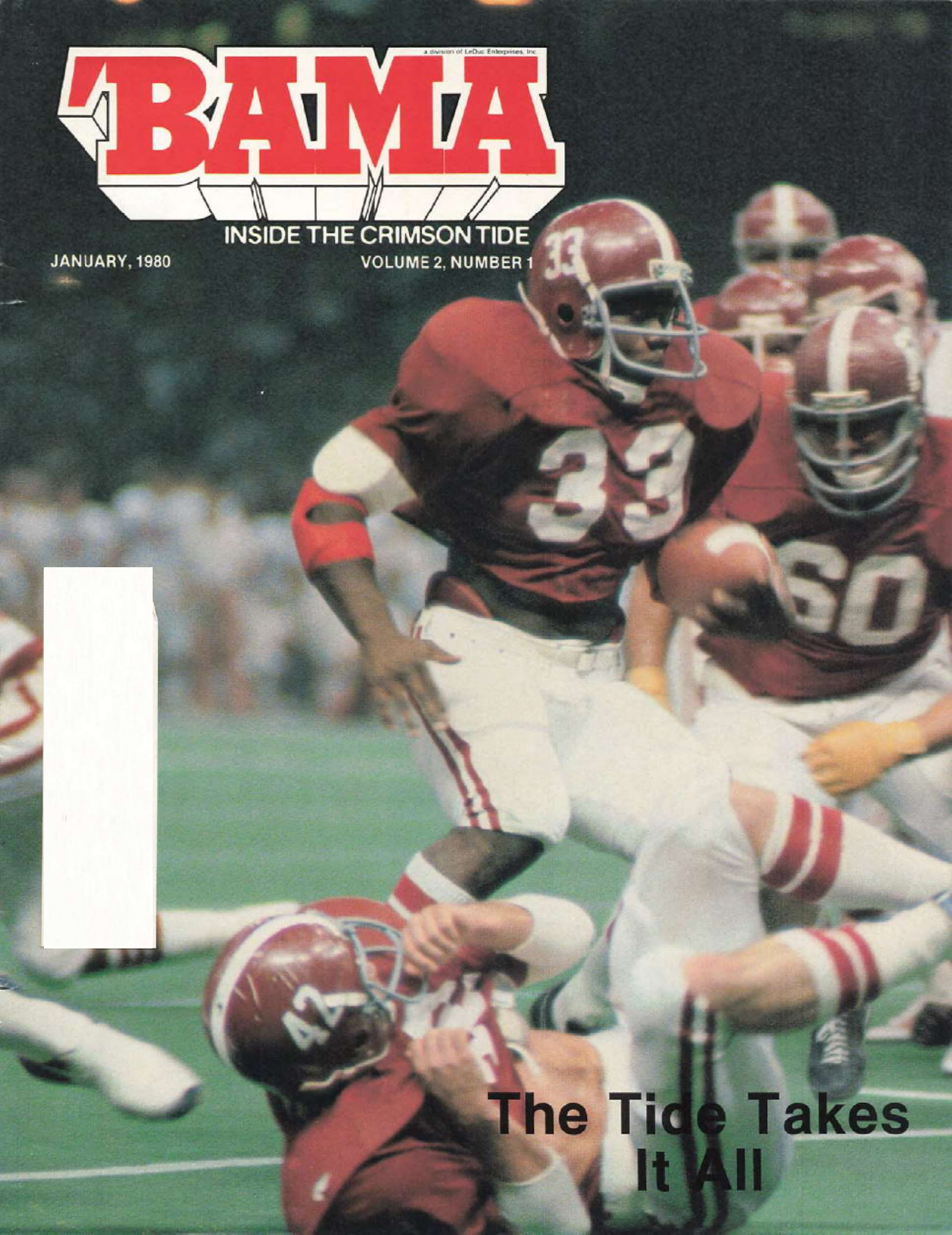

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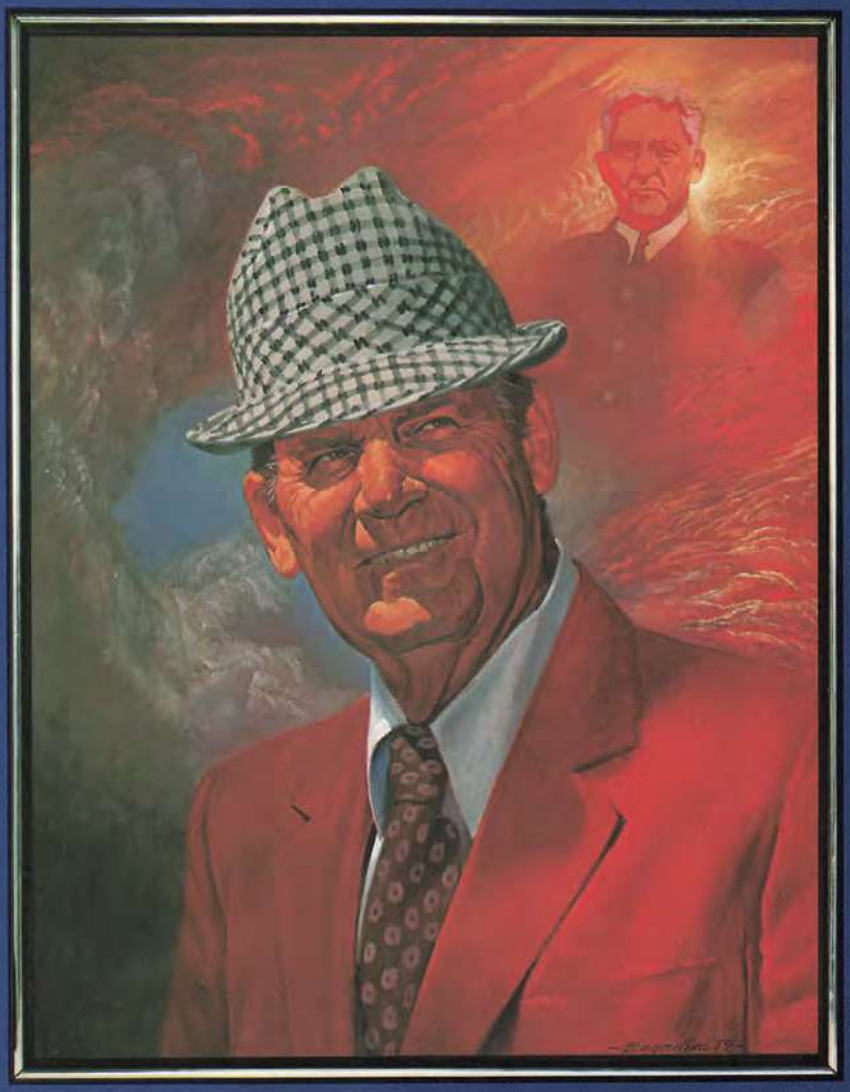

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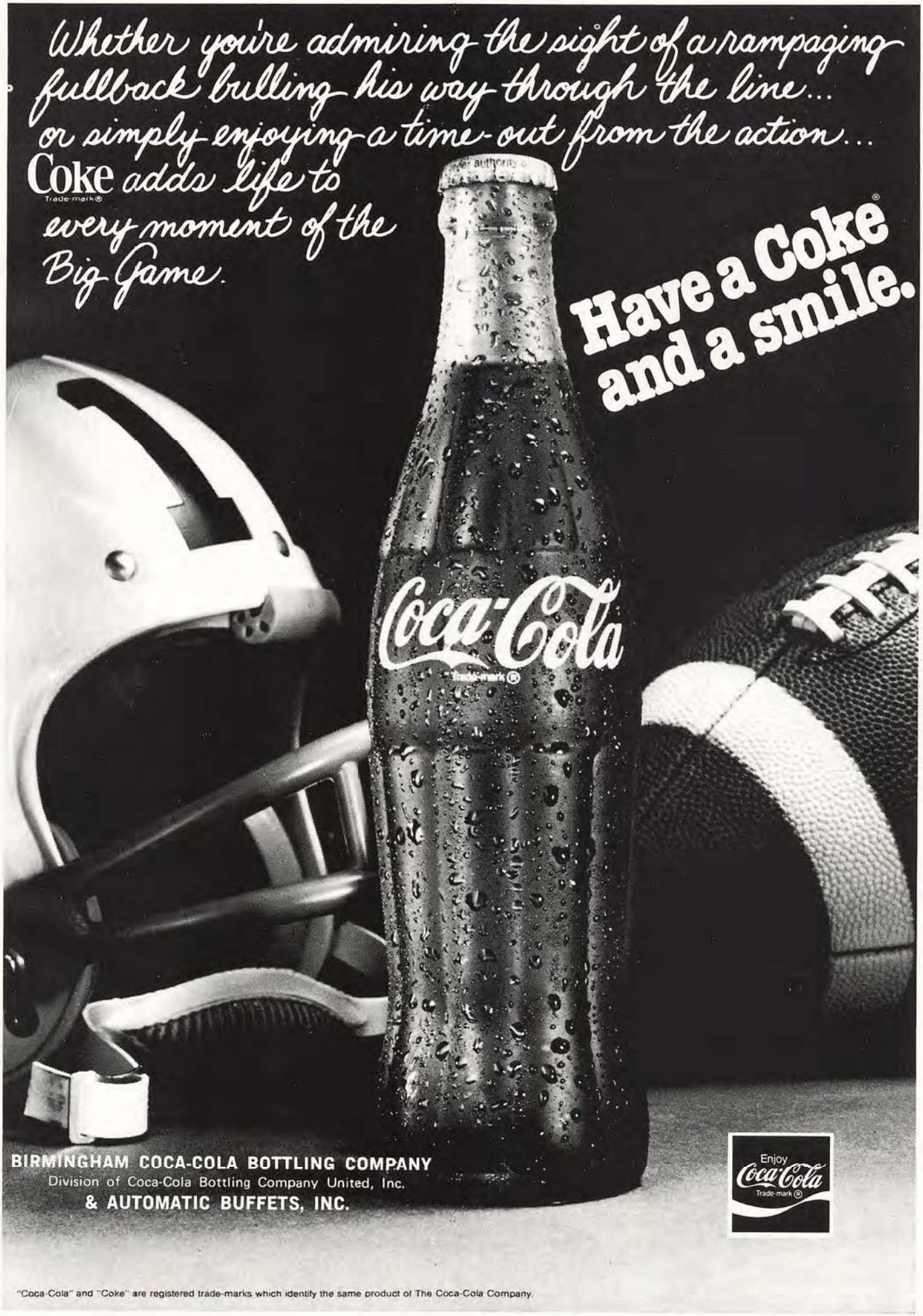

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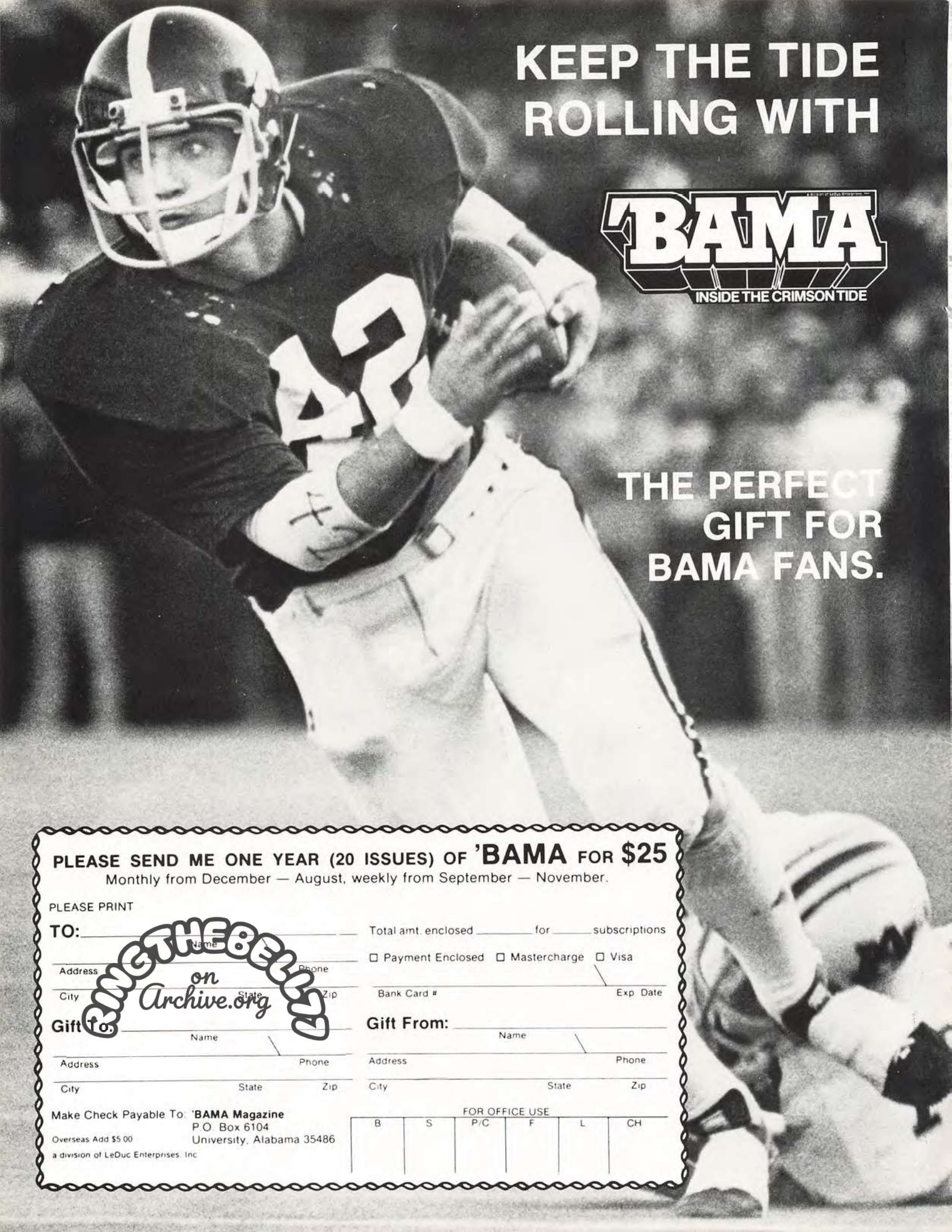

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Don Jacobs:

Will He Return?

by Mike Bolton

It was getting into the second quarter and with the score tied at 0-0, most of the sellout crowd of over 60,000 in Bryant-Denny Stadium was ready to see the number one ranked Crimson Tide unleash against Mississippi State.

Regular quarterback Steadman Shealy had moved the squad fairly well, but just had not been able to get the ball into the end zone. So when Mississippi State fumbled less than a minute into the quarter, Coach Paul "Bear" Bryant sent in backup man Don Jacobs.

In five plays Jacobs had the Tide knocking on the enemy's door as he eased his team to the 13-yard line. The next play brought the crowd to its feet, but most never knew that after that play that Jacobs would never again be blessed with the two good legs that had gotten him where he is.

Jacobs remembers the play perfectly.

"We optioned left and they took the pitch man," he recalls. "I just turned up and was never touched. I sort of had to hop over a guy at the goal line and when I landed, I felt a shudder in the knee.

"I knew I had scored and everybody was hollering so I just ran off the field and tried to ignore it. Deep down I knew something bad was wrong, though."

Jacobs got back into the game shortly thereafter and on the same play, he cut across the grain. His knee didn't. His injury was hoped not to be serious and he was rested until the Auburn game. Against the Tigers the knee went out in a matter of several plays. He had surgery two days later.

"It got the ligaments and the cartilage," Jacobs says. "It was a good one."

Jacobs, like former Tide quarterbacks Joe Namath, and Jack O'Rear and Steadman Shealy, lost a knee without taking a lick on it.

"It's just a hazard of football," Alabama trainer Jim Goosetree, the man responsible for getting Jacobs ready for next year, says. "We call it a change of direction injury. Of course, it's more prevalent in running backs, but it's surely not foreign outside of our program. You see them on instant replay showing a guy go down and they comment he never took a lick."

The injury has hurt the spirits of Jacobs worse than anything. "I've never missed a practice in my life for any reason," Jacobs says as he hobbled down to the training room on his crutches. "I've missed playing in some games, but it wasn't because I was hurt.

"Does it hurt? It hasn't even bothered yet—honest. They gave me two shots at the hospital when I came out of surgery and later I took a couple of pills. I took the pills for fun, though.

"The only way it's going to be real bad is if I sit around and worry about it. Now that the Sugar Bowl is over I'm going to start going at it. I get the cast off the seventeenth and that's when the all-work begins."

Jacobs has a hard act to follow. Shealy injured his knee in much the same manner as Jacobs and his intense program at getting himself back impressed everyone that saw it. Teammates often left the weight room because they couldn't stand to see Shealy lifting weights with tears flowing from his eyes.

"I know I'm going to be compared to Steadman a good bit," Jacobs says. "His injury and mine were very much alike. I

Alabama quarterback Don Jacobs was on the sidelines in New Orleans for the Sugar Bowl, but the Tide senior-to-be hopes to be back in action as Bama goes for a third straight national championship next fall. Jacobs suffered a knee injury midway through the 1979 season, then aggravated the injury late in the year and underwent surgery. Spectrum-Southeast Photos

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plan to sit down and have a good talk about it all and see what I need to do.

"When the cast comes off I have six months to get it ready. That's not a whole lot of time. I plan to go to summer school where I can stay down here and get it worked on.

I'll start off by lifting the get the muscle tissue back and then try to strengthen the ligaments. The idea I think is to get the flexibility back."

What are the chances of Jacobs being the Alabama quarterback next year?

"His prognosis now could be considered guarded or good," Goosetree says. "There have been no complications at this stage. It will be several months before we can really tell about everything, however.

"We are planning on him being here this summer and to work with us. The whole thing is more of less up to him. The rehabilitation of any patient depends on how well the individual is motivated. I think Don is motivated pretty well.

"The summer is when the confidence in movement takes place. The time he is inactive causes the weakening of the muscles and when the muscles aren't used like his the leg weakens. The leg just wastes away."

Jacobs is about to become a regular visitor to the weight room and the stationary bicycle will have the seat adjusted to his frame. Shealy called it the biggest gut check of his life.

"There are sometimes when you think you will die," Shealy recalls. "Sometimes when you have to have one more lift and your body says 'no,' but you have to go and you want to scream. Old Jake knows I'm going to be praying for him."

Jacobs also knows there is not necessarily gold waiting at the end of the rainbow. O'Rear bounced back from a knee injury only to have another end his career. A well-placed blow to Shealy could have easily wiped him out this season.

"Our first goal with this kind of injury is to provide the individual with the chance of resuming a normal life other than athletics," Goosetree explains. "We then set our sights on having the individual to have the degree of success that he can again participate in athletics.

"People always rememberr the players who have their career ended by a knee injury, but they tend to forget the ones that successfully responded to rehabilitation. We've had a lot of successful performers that have had knee surgery and successfully played out their careers."

Goosetree says a "good-as-new" knee is highly inprobable, but that is the goal he sets for Jacobs.

"We always set our goal for the knee to return to the strength that it once enjoyed, but you can compare that to the remodeling business," he says. "Is a house ever as strong as it once was after it's reconstructed or remodeled? Frankly, it's going to take a tremendous amount of work for the knee to come close to being what it once was."

Jacobs has a year of eligibility left and he plans to use it. The "gutty street fighter" as a national magazine called him earlier in the season is ready to go after it.

"You can tell them in the publicity office when they print up the press guides next year to put me at the top of the depth chart," Jacobs says matter of factly. "I've still got my sights on being the main-man next year. It's the job I'm supposed to inherit and I'm not dead, just slowed up a bit.

"I realize the work it's going to take and I'm ready to get started. "I'm not supposed to be able to move the knee or anything yet, but when nobody's looking I've got it to bend some. That's just a start. By spring training I expect to be jogging and by fall I expect to be playing again."

Everyone concerned with the fortunes of Alabama football hopes to see Don Jacobs back under center when the Tide lines up for the 1980 season. Spectrum-Southeast Photo

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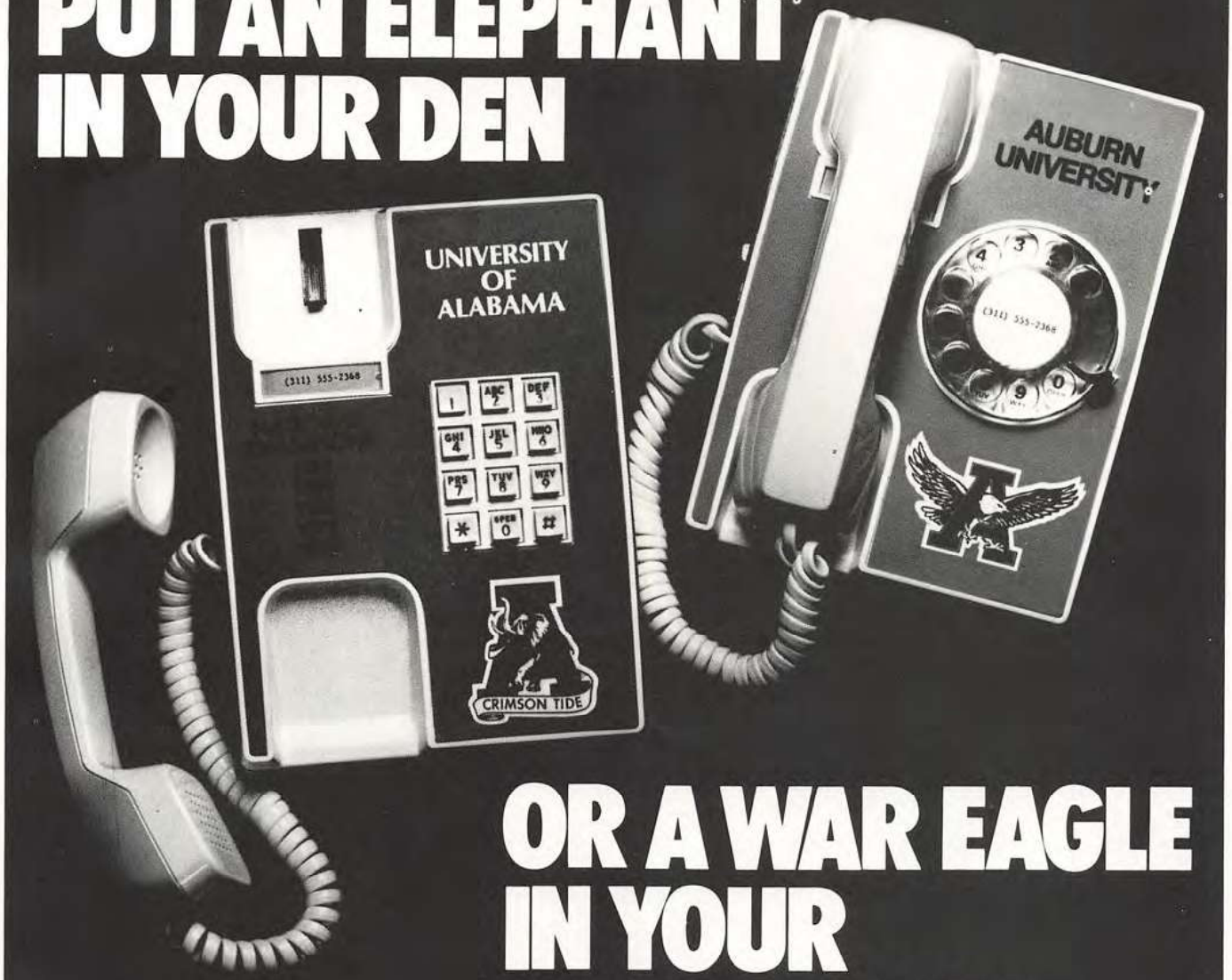

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How Another Title Came To Tuscaloosa

by Kirk McNair

Although it could be argued that Alabama had to begin defending its 1978 national championship when followers of college football began examining the Crimson Tide's 1979 schedule, the actual playing field defense began September 8 at Grant Field in Atlanta against Georgia Tech. It was the first "big game" of the season, nationally televised, and Herschel Nissenson, college football editor of the Associated Press, was sitting next to the editor of 'BAMA magazine. Midway through the third quarter Herschel whispered, "Just keep the trophy."

As it turned out his premonition was correct. After Alabama's first ever 12-0 season, including a convincing 24-9 victory over Arkansas in the Sugar Bowl, and a close contest in the Rose Bowl where attempts had been made to build a championship game, the Tide was a unanimous choice as number one. Most recognized poll is that of the Associated Press, followed by United Press International. Last year the AP poll fell for Bama, but the UPI trophy went to Southern Cal. General feeling before January 1 was that the opposite would be the result this year because in the next to last voting of the season some sportswriters and/or broadcasters (the voters in the AP ballot) had dropped the Tide from first to second, behind Ohio State.

Other national championships were awarded by such recognized agencies as the National Football Foundation and Hall of Fame (MacArthur Bowl), Football Writers Association of America (Grantland Rice Award), The New York *Times* and *Football News*.

It's a good thing that Bama was a repeat winner for the AP championship because the Tide has yet to see the 1978 trophy. Pictures you have seen of the presentation at last year's spring game were of the 1965 trophy, which the Tide retired after winning its first three AP

Alabama defenders Wayne Hamilton (94) and Randy Scott (50) make life miserable for an Arkansas running back. The Tide held the Razorbacks to under 100 yards rushing and for the fifth straight bowl game the Bama defense limited the opponent to only one touchdown. Spectrum-Southeast Photo

championships. AP insists that a new trophy (Notre Dame retired the last one following the 1977 season) has been commissioned by a New York jeweler, but there has been no sign of it. Now the AP has a year of grace to come up with it, although Tide players hope it arrives sometime this spring at the latest.

Alabama's drop to second place in the final AP poll of the regular season was the result of some eight voters failing to put Bama in the top three. In the final ballot only two voters put Bama as low as third. The Tide received all 21 first place votes from Southern voters, 2½ of the 12 in the West, seven of eight in the Southwest, nine of 16 from the Midwest and 6½ of 10 from the East.

As most big games, Alabama's Sugar Bowl victory over Arkansas was one of big plays. Most were obvious; some were subtle. Arkansas head coach Lou Holtz called a fumbled snap by his team, its first of the season, the game's biggest play, and it may well have been. Alabama had given Arkansas early momentum when Don McNeal fumbled the opening kickoff, but the Razorbacks could get only a field goal against Bama's tough defense. Two series later the Tide's Major Ogilvie went 22 yards to cap a seven-play, 82-yard drive and give Alabama the lead for good. But that series began with a subtle big play. Arkansas punted to Ogilvie, who called for a fair catch at Bama's 18. Just as he was to catch the ball Jeremiah Castille, who was blocking for Major, was knocked back into his teammate. Major held on. A fumble there could have been critical.

Bama made it 14-3 with a one-yard Ogilvie plunge following the Arkansas fumble. The kicking game contributed Alabama's final points of the half. First, Buddy Holt ran under a Woody Umphrey punt and caught it at the five-yard line, giving Arkansas bad field position. The Razorbacks moved into good field position, but had to punt and Ogilvie returned the kick 50 yards to Arkansas' 30. The Tide didn't get it in, but Alan McElroy was good on a 25-yard field goal attempt with just 25 seconds remaining in the half, the important score just before intermission that coach Bryant loves.

Arkansas came out smoking in the second half, helped along by another of those subtle big plays. With a second-and-eight situation, Arkansas quarterback Kevin Scanlon found himself all alone in his backfield on a busted play. He dashed up the middle and went 20 yards before he was stopped. The Razorbacks went to a first down at Bama's four and the old goalline stand of last year was remembered. Three downs gained just a

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yard and the Tide had visions of another great stop. However, on fourth down Scanlon found his reciever, who put a good move on Bama's McNeal, on an unusual quick slant-in pass and the Razorbacks had pulled to within 17-9. The Hogs went for two points and Thomas Boyd and Wayne Hamilton stopped Scanlon short. This was another of the overlooked big plays, because so much time remained, but it meant that Arkansas had to score twice to win.

Alabama had a busted play on its next series, Steadman Shealy finally spotting Keith Pugh for a 22-yard gain to midfield. However, the Tide was detected clipping and the gain was nullified. Joe Jones was sent into the game. He quick kicked for 49 yards to take Bama out of a hole.

Ogilvie, who edged teammate Billy Jackson 10½-10 for the Miller-Dighby Trophy awarded to the most valuable player in the Sugar Bowl, had earlier quick kicked 43 yards. It was the first time in over a decade that Bama had used the tactic. Coach Bryant said later that they were the only two plays he called in the game, and almost no one believed him. Alabama had worked on the quick kick for a short time after one practice in Tuscaloosa. Bama had also worked on the double wing formation and some new motion while on campus. None of these tactics was rehearsed after the Tide went to New Orleans December 28.

Alabama had another horrible penalty early in the fourth quarter. Arkansas had punted and Bama was in business at the 16, but the Tide was called for holding, giving the Hogs new life with a first down at Bama's 36. There's no questioning the call, but it was unusual. The Tide's Warren Lyles was flagged because he had trapped an Arkansas player's leg against the AstroTurfed Superdome floor with his *helmet*. The Razorbacks were unable to take advantage of the break when David Hannah slammed through to sack Scanlon on a third down play, but Arkansas kicked Bama into a hole at the two.

Bama had made a great drive against Auburn to win that game. The reward, of course, had been victory. Perhaps Bama didn't need a 98-yard drive to win the Sugar Bowl, but it all but wrapped up the win and the national championship. It took only nine plays, all on the ground, and actually consumed 103 yards since Bama had to make up a five-yard penalty. But the penalty was one of those subtle big plays in Alabama's favor. With third and six Jackson had been held to no gain at the seven. However, the Tide was in motion before the snap and it meant an automatic five-yard penalty, bringing up third and 11 from the 12. What would it be? Pitchout to Ogilvie or Jackson? Outside keeper by Shealy? Quick pass to Pugh or Tim Travis? The call was Alabama's bread-and-butter call of the decade, the triple option.

The first option, based on a read of the defensive end, is to give the football to the fullback over tackle. Shealy read the end outside, Buddy Aydelette drove the defensive tackle inside, and fullback Steve Whitman burst through to daylight, his first contact coming from the Arkansas safetyman at the three. Whitman weighs 235 pounds and had a full head of steam. He stormed through the tackle and into the end zone and clinched Bama's sixth national championship.

Rightfully so, much of the credit for Alabama's success against Arkansas was given to the double wing formation and the use of motion by the Tide running backs, particularly the fullback. Oddly, Bama plays were pretty much the same

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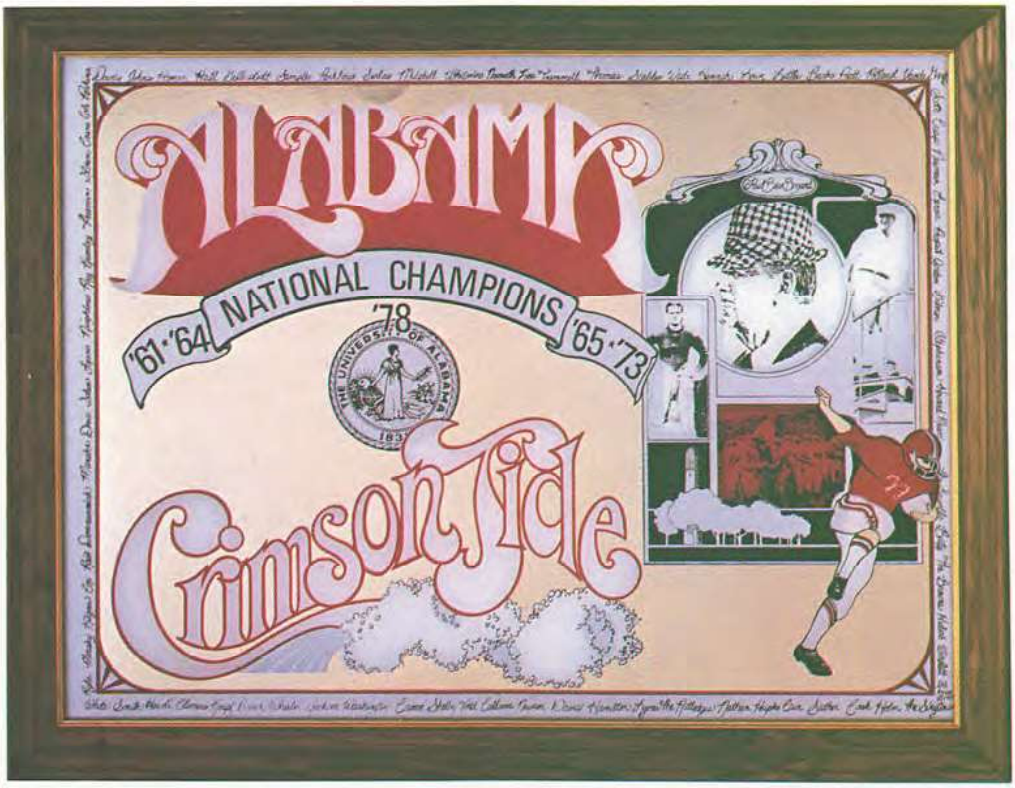

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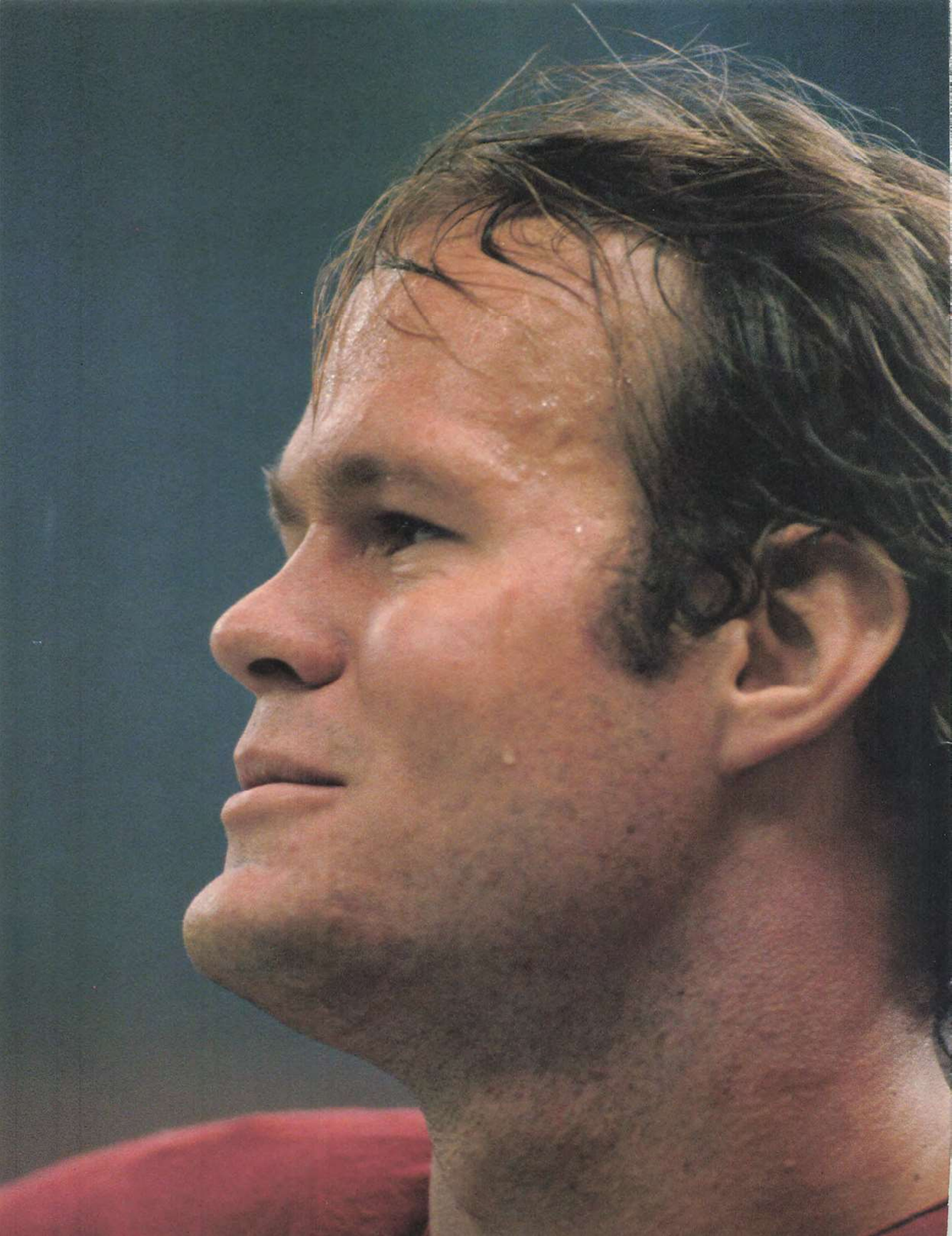

as always off the new formations, although when the fullback was in motion the first read of the triple option was obviously eliminated. What made the tactic so successful is that when Bama went into the double wing or put a back in motion, Arkansas jumped out of its wishbone defense. Alabama then ran the wishbone plays and had expected good results.

Alabama players felt they had been prepared extremely well for the Sugar Bowl. "We worked almost exclusively against two defensive alignments and they stayed in those two almost the entire game," said Bama all-star center Dwight Stephenson. Dwight echoed the consensus opinion of Alabama's offensive players: Arkansas had a quick, fundamentally sound defense, but it was not very big. Arkansas' Holtz said following the game that Alabama had proved to him that he had to have bigger, stronger players—something Alabama coaches determined a decade ago.

Coach Bryant made a decision two years ago that has probably paid dividends higher that generally recognized. Mike Marks was an assistant track coach, working with the weight men. He had been extremely successful in building the strength of the Alabama shotput and discus men. Coach Bryant elevated Marks to strength coach for all Alabama athletes and the Tide has one of the nation's strongest teams.

Alabama fans were obviously cognizant of the fact that a Tide victory in itself might not be enough for a national championship result. As a result, the New Orleans French Quarter was not the hubbub of activity that would ordinarily be expected following a Sugar Bowl game. Tide followers adjourned to hotel rooms to watch the Rose Bowl. When the game was over, the much-desired one-point victory by Southern Cal, the celebration began. There was still worry, but things had worked out as well as could be expected. Sitting with the AP's Nissenson in Bama assistant athletic director Charley Thornton's room during the Orange Bowl, the statement was made that "There's no way Alabama won't get it now." Nissenson said "If it hadn't been for what happened in the UPI vote last year I would agree with you, but I don't think you can rest assured." Nissenson, who would count the votes January 2 in New Orleans, began getting ballots before the Orange Bowl finished. Alabama was the number one pick on the first ballot and led wire-to-wire.

Billy Jackson had probably put it as well as any when questioned about Bama's chances in the polls following the game: "The whole team feels that we are champions. We did the only thing that we could do, which was win all of our games. The polls are a matter of opinion. What we did is a matter of fact."

Beauty is in the eye of the beholder. You may be interested in how some of the nation's top sportswriters viewed the 1980 Sugar Bowl and the polls:

Orville Henry, Arkansas *Gazette:* "Arkansas's young pups went into the Louisiana Superdome on New Year's Day thinking they'd grown up. Alabama's old dogs, prepared perfectly by the 66-year-old Paul (Bear) Bryant, proved otherwise. . . . (Arkansas) hadn't played the Crimson Tide, certainly the most bullet proof team faced this year. Texas might have had a better defense, and someone else faster backs, but as might have been expected from a Bryant team, none of the previous 11 Arkansas opponents did everything so smartly, so deceptively—or powerfully."

John Adams Baton Rouge *Morning Advocate:* "For the third straight year, the Tide had its Xerox machine installed in the Superdome. The offensive machinery had a different look when it wasn't running. But once quarterback Steadman Shealy pressed the 'print' button, the product looked just like the copies the Southeastern Conference champions have been cranking out for the last decade."

George Lapides, Memphis *Press-Scimitar:* "Who's No. 1? This football season that's an easy question. This year, there ought to be a clear cut winner. This year there should be no split decision. This year? It's Alabama. Yep, Alabama...pure and simple, cut and dried; no ifs, ands or buts about it."

John Pruett, Huntsville *Times:* "Not having seen all the others personally, I wouldn't presume to insist unequivocally that Alabama is the best college football team in the country. Who could say that with certainty? It's a hypothetical question. It will remain a hypothetical question until there is a playoff in Division I as in the other NCAA football divisions. I do know, however, that of the nearly 200 major college football teams in the country, only one won every time it took the field. . . . Only one team did it all: Alabama."

Dan Hardesty, Baton Rouge *State Times:* "Oh well, so much for the theory that LSU should have hired Lou Holtz as

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Nix	3	7	0	7	0	4
Fagan	3	6	5	1	0	6
Jones	1	3	0	3	0	3
Simon	1	3	0	3	0	3
BAMA TOTALS	53	297	13	284	3	35
ARKANSAS TOTALS	41	130	33	97	1	20

PUNTING	NO.	YARDS	AVG.	LONG
Umphrey	6	198	33.0	42
Ogilvie	1	43	43.0	43
J. Jones	1	49	49.0	49
BAMA TOTALS	8	290	36.2	49

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	-- final
Alabama	14	3	0	7	-- 24
Arkansas	3	0	6	0	-- 9

SCORING:

Ark -- Ordonez, 34 field goal
Ala -- Ogilvie, 22 run (McElroy kick)
Ala -- Ogilvie, 1 run (McElroy kick)
Ala -- McElroy, 25 field goal
Ark -- Farrell, 3 Scanlon pass (run failed)
Ala -- Whitman, 12 run (McElroy kick)

DEFENSE	Tackle	Assist	For Loss-Yards
Scott	10	2	2-15
Tucker	7	0	
Hannah	7	1	1-5
Boyd	6	5	
McNeal	6	0	
Hamilton	5	4	
Braggs	3	3	
Wilcox	3	7	
Harris	3	1	
Lyles	3	1	1-1
McGriff	1	0	
Junior	1	1	
Clements	1	0	
Nix	1	0	
Beazley	1	0	
Jones	1	1	1-1

Passing	Att-Comp-Int	Yards	TD	Long
Shealy	7 - 4 - 0	70	0	23

Receiving	No.	Yards	TD	Long
Pugh	3	62	0	23
Jackson	1	8	0	8

All Returns	Punts No.	Punts Yds.	Kickoffs No.	Kickoffs Yds.	Int'c'ns No.	Int'c'ns Yds
Ogilvie	1	50				
McNeal			1	21		
Wilcox					1	32
Harris					1	20
BAMA TOTALS	1	50	1	21	2	52
ARK. TOTALS	3	12	3	61	0	00

TEAM STATISTICS	BAMA	ARK.
First Downs	18	21
Rushing	14	6
Passing	3	13
Penalty	1	2
Total Offensive Plays	60	81
Total Net Yards	354	342
Average Gain Per Play	5.9	4.2
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	1-1
Penalties-Yards	7-61	1-15

Passes Broken Up	No.
McNeal	4
Harris	3
Wilcox	2
Hamilton	1
Junior	1
Scott	1
Clements	1
Tucker	1

Alabama quarterback Steadman Shealy has a satisfied look as he watched the clock run down on Bama's 24-9 victory over Arkansas in the Sugar Bowl, clinching a second straight national championship for the Crimson Tide. Sprectrum-Southeast Photo

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The Tide's Major Ogilvie goes up and over the clash of Alabama-Arkansas lines for Bama's second touchdown of the first quarter in a 24-9 win over the Razorbacks. Major was named the game's outstanding player. It was the second straight year that the hard-running halfback had scored the winning touchdown in a Sugar Bowl win for the national championship.

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its football coach. He can't beat the Bear either."

Peter Finney, New Orleans *States-Item:* "All-in-all, the package in crimson and white was a tribute to the discipline and the wiles of a 66-year-old master who refuses to grow old. People talk of sizzle and the spectacular. Ball in the air. But there is Alabama winning on execution and only four completed passes. 'The way,' Bear will tell you, 'football was meant to be played. It's always going to be blocking and tackling.' No college team blocked and tackled and played any better than the one that won yesterday in the Superdome. Give the cup to Bear and hang around for the Stagg countdown."

Alabama has now won back-to-back national championships and has the nation's longest winning streak of 21. Time to sit back and relax, right? Wrong. Coach Bryant held a staff meeting before the new year was a week old. "Stay close to the players," he told his assistants. "We can't let them get fatheaded. If we do it will be the middle of spring training before we get turned back, and that may be too late."

TIDE NOTES: Alabama assistant coach Bill Oliver has been named head coach at the University of Tennessee-Chattanooga. Apparently he will not take any Tide assistants with him. He is being replaced by Louis Campbell, former Arkansas player and Tide assistant, who is coming from SMU . . . Randy Edwards, the fine lineman from Marietta, Georgia, who had to sit out last semester because of an illness, had entered Alabama and is living in Bryant Hall. He says he has a clean bill of health to resume his football career. . . Alabama's latest football signee is Mark Jackson, a 6-4, 225-pound lineman from Houston. He was named to the 22-man Texas high school "super team."

CRIMSON GALLERY

Our Ball

Alabama linebacker Thomas Boyd (90) celebrates this recovery of an Arkansas fumble, a turnover by the Hogs that led to Bama's second touchdown of the first quarter and a commanding 14-3 lead.

Coach Bryant tells his players constantly "Expect the unexpected." Arkansas had not suffered a fumble on a center-quarterback exchange all year, but when it came in the Sugar Bowl the Tide pounced on it. Arkansas coach Lou Holtz called it the biggest play of the game.

While some consider the pass interception to be the most dramatic turnover, coach Bryant feels that a fumble recovery is more valuable, partly because both offense and defense have an equal chance for a pass and so on any thrown ball an interception is possible. A fumble is a bonus turnover.

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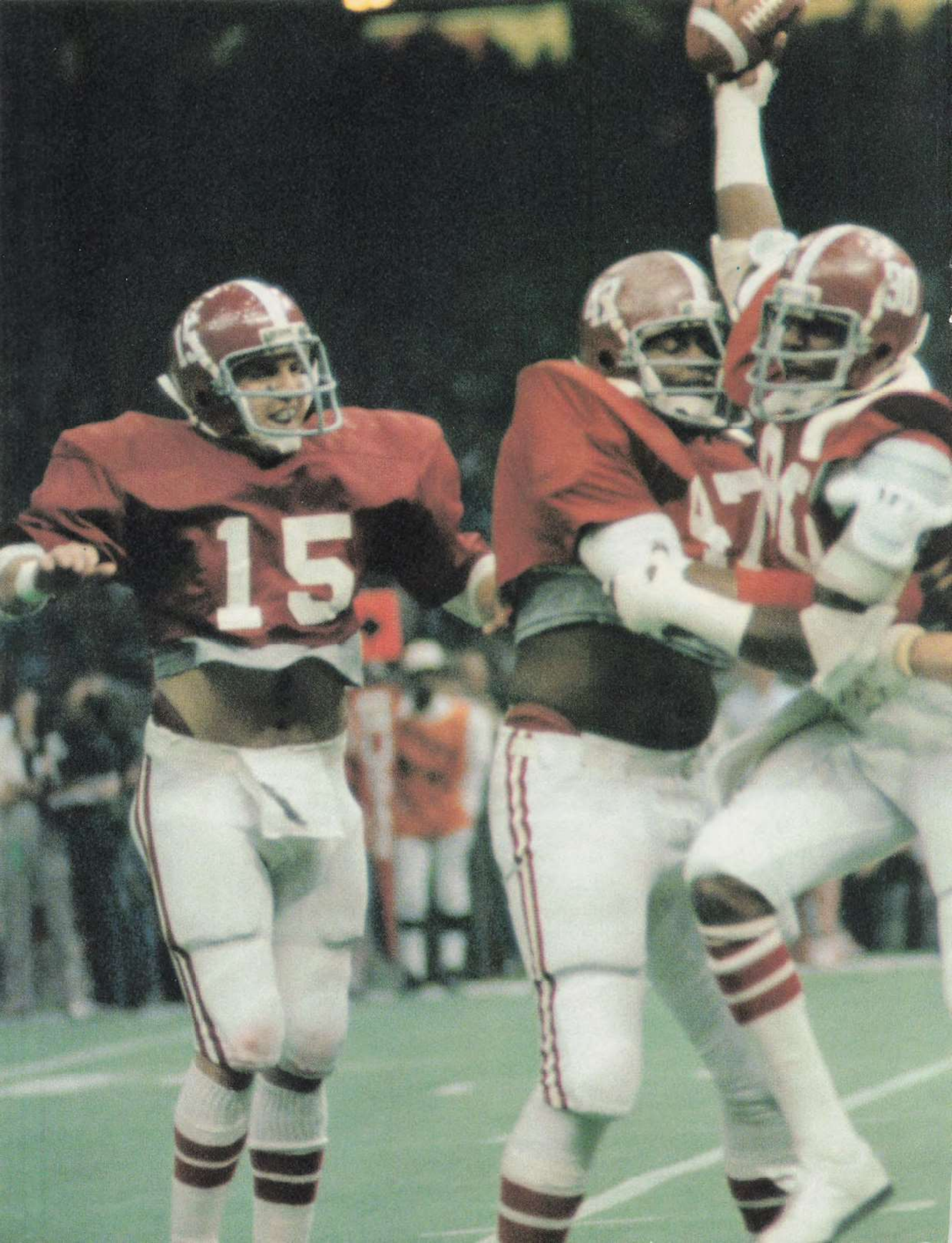
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Robert Scott:

Senior Sparkplug

by Mike Bolton

It was early, but Robert Scott was busily packing his bags for a noon flight to Baton Rouge, Louisiana where the Crimson Tide would play LSU the next night.

Quickly, but politely, Scott answered every question without slowing his packing—every question but one.

"There's not anything bad wrong with Alabama basketball," he said plopping down into a chair in his dorm room. "We've been a little sluggish in the early going, but there's nothing bad wrong. Everybody wants to know what is wrong with us.

"I really think those people are going to have a big surprise coming their way pretty soon."

Surprise? What kind of surprise?

"People want to know what's wrong with us and when that happens, people don't take you that seriously. We're young and we've been making some young people mistakes, but against Ole Miss I saw a lot of determination out there and I think we're just about ready to play some big league basketball."

Scott was beginning to get a little fired up and he was sure forgetting his packing.

"I heard a guy say the other day that we're so young we should go to places like LSU and Kentucky and try to keep from getting blown off the floor and try to learn something from it. I hope LSU and Kentucky are thinking that way about us.

"We're going against LSU in their place tomorrow night and we're going up there to win, not just to look good. Nobody thinks we can do it but us. I guarantee you there wasn't a guy at our practice yesterday that didn't think we can beat them.

"I guess the fans are right, we have been playing a little off. Well, I'm the oldest and I'm about to get my act together. You can't expect for the younger ones to play better if the senior isn't can you?

"The captain is supposed to provide good leadership on the floor and I haven't been doing it. Coach Newton has been constantly reminding me of this. Well, starting tomorrow night, I'm going to do it. I may not play any better, but it isn't going to be because I'm not trying.

"I think the team will do the same thing. I think they are tired of hearing about what's wrong with Alabama. I really think that we are about to get everything together and with our schedule the way it is in the end, *we'll be one of the teams to beat down the stretch.*"

Talk about backing up big talk. Less than 30 hours after Scott's to-the-point feelings were aired, Alabama had stunned number four ranked LSU on its home floor 57-56. Confidence man Robert Scott hit the winning bucket with 10 seconds showing on the clock.

A fluke? Hardly. While everybody was busy trying to believe that Alabama had actually beaten the Bengal Tigers Scott and his teammates were busy forgetting it ever happened. Scott called the next shot.

"We're going up there with intentions of beating Kentucky, too," he said back in his dorm room. "They are great, I know, but we're going up there and play our game just like we are in our own gym. We're going to play controlled basketball and tune out their crowd."

Scott's second intention also came true and stunned the unbelievers. Scott's layup with 14:58 remaining in the first half put Alabama ahead and the Crimson Tide never trailed thereafter. Alabama led 41-20 at halftime and when it was finally over, the scoreboard showed a 78-64 win for Alabama. It was the worst loss ever for Kentucky in Rupp Arena.

Against LSU, Scott had engineered the slowdown, deliberate offense to perfection and had ended up with a game-high seven assists. Against Kentucky, Scott turned on the gas to lead both squads in scoring with 25 points, including an 11-11 night at the free throw line.

"Rah-Rah continues to play the role of the coach on the floor," C.M. says of his only senior. "We all just look to him. He gets the team in its offense and keeps it in its offense. He's just a quarterback on the floor. He switches the offenses and he switches the defenses.

"When I need something on the floor, I go to him. He's been doing this a couple of years for us.

"Against LSU he saw the need to slow things down and he did. Against Kentucky he saw the need to speed things up some.

He's a very mature player. We got him to do the same things he did in high school and that's to run a basketball team."

"I just realized that I had been playing terrible," Scott says now trying to explain Alabama's turnabout from its somewhat lackluster start of the 1979-80 season. "I just told the team we need to get it together and push the ball more. I told them I was going to do it and that they needed to do it, too.

"Things turned around for us. We have a good attitude about it all. We decided we were going to make teams play our kind of game whether we're at home or on the road.

"We decided that just having a shot wasn't good enough. We're working the ball in and going for the real good shot. We can't match up with some of the other teams around the league in talent and experience, so we're having to play a controlled game. We used some motion against LSU to break down the pressure. We've also started shooting the ball pretty well, too. We started that against Ole Miss in our home game."

Scott does agree with some talk going around. He agrees that the early loss to Tennessee in Knoxville (three overtimes) hurt the squad. He says now that it is forgotten, however.

"A loss like that can kill you," he says. "When you're young and struggling and you lose to a very good team like that in that manner it gets you down. We were at our worst against Georgia Tech, but we played pretty bad after that, too.

"We stopped and looked at our record at that point and saw it looked bad, but our conference record wasn't that bad. We said if we could beat LSU we could still be in pretty good shape. It fired us up.

"We knew we had a lot of good players, but one was good one night and the other the next. That won't get it."

It is no secret Scott is one of Newton's all-time favorite players, but that feeling of respect is mutual. Scott feels most of the handshakes for the Tide's improved play belong to him.

"I've been lucky to play for two good coaches," Scott says. "Cap Brown at Parker and coach Newton are a lot alike. They both demand discipline and when it boils down to it, that is what wins basketball games.

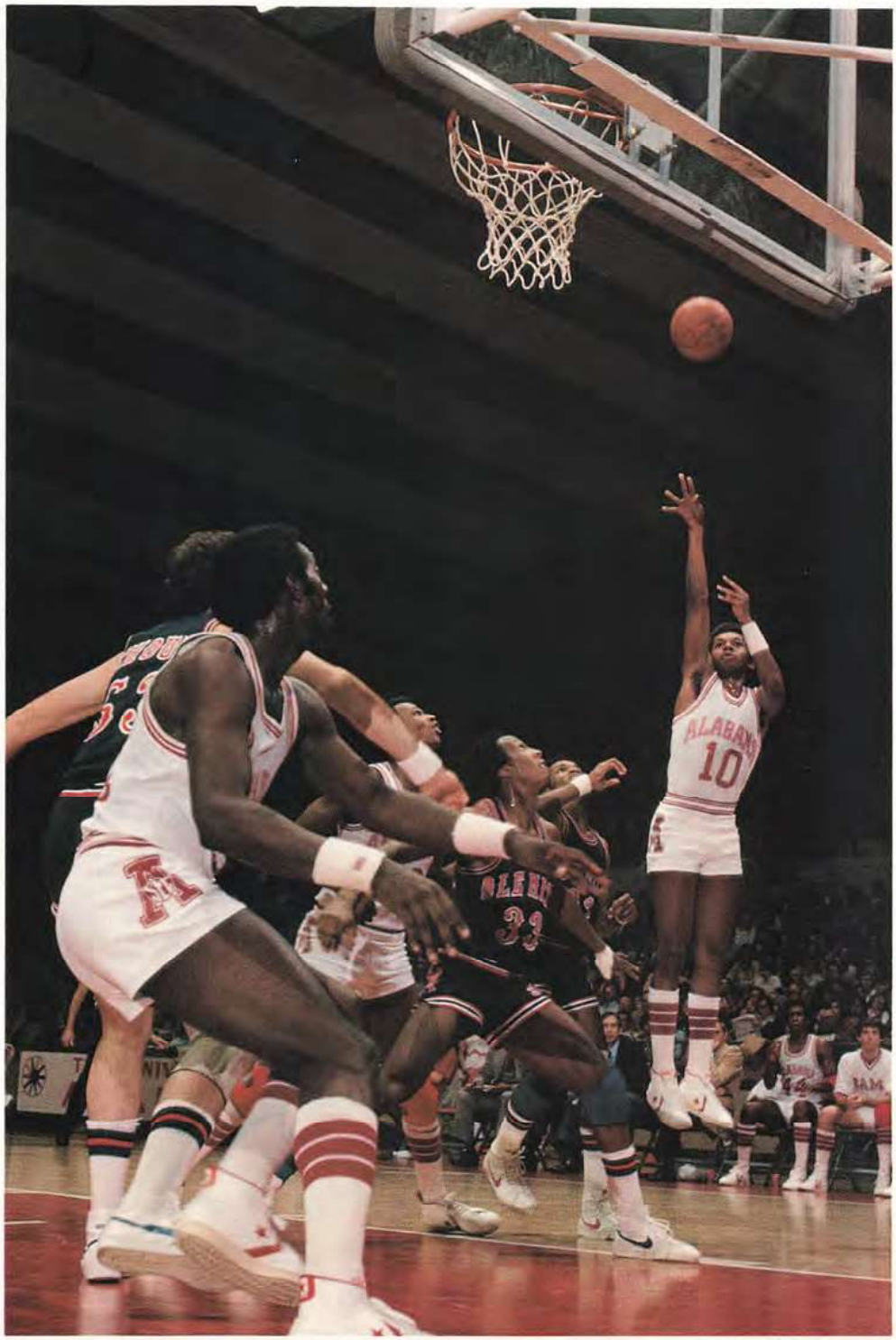
"Some people say he's hard to play for, but that's because he's fair. He lays down the guidelines and if you can't follow them you can't play for him. Those guidelines that he sets are because we should have basketball on our mind.

"He demands everybody to show class and because of that some have quit this team. Cap Brown was the same way. He wouldn't let us wear a thousand headbands and he made us dress nice to go to school. A lot of people didn't understand it, but we were a better team because of it. It is the same way here. We're a better team because of what he's done."

It was under Cap Brown that Scott and college scouts learned that he could do magic with a basketball. High school players that show talent plus an uncanny ability of coolness, poise and floor leadership are almost unheard of and Scott had them running to his door.

Scott was All-City, All-State, Super-Five and made several All-America teams while in high school. He was chosen to play in the national High School All-Star game in Dayton, Ohio. It was no secret he was good. Scouts knew his phone number from memory.

"In the 11th grade I decided to get



Bama's only senior basketball player, Robert "Rah Rah" Scott of Birmingham, provides outside shooting skills for coach C.M. Newton's Crimson Tide, but more than that he provides the on-the-court leadership that is necessary for a successful basketball team. Spectrum-Southeast Photo

away from home," he says. "But my senior year I decided I wanted to stay close to home and play on a good team with some players I knew something about. Scouts we're telling me that if I went there we would have a good team.

"I already knew that people like T.R. Dunn and Anthony Murray were good though because I had to play against them. It was a pretty easy decision. I chose Alabama early."

While Scott is quite a leader now, that hasn't always been one of his virtues. He doesn't like to think about what would have happened if he had not been blessed with basketball talent.

"It is the best thing that has every happened to me," he says with a smile. "There is no telling where I would be at this instant if I had hit the streets.

"Not many people can say they can further their education free and do what they love. I'm lucky. Very lucky. I have a mom that sees about every game I play and I am around a lot of good people. Everything is really going smooth for me."

Smooth for Scott and smoother for the Alabama basketball team. According to Scott, good things are just right down the road for the team that had something wrong with it less than a month ago.

"We're a team now," Scott says. "We are in the middle of a wacky league where anything can happen. We beat a team almost 30 points and that same team beats a team that is in the top five nationally. Anything can happen now.

"Tennessee, LSU and Kentucky all look very solid and we beat two of them and lost by one to the other on *their court*. The confidence we were lacking at the first is now there. Not overconfidence, but the confidence of knowing we have the ability to play up to our potential and play them a game.

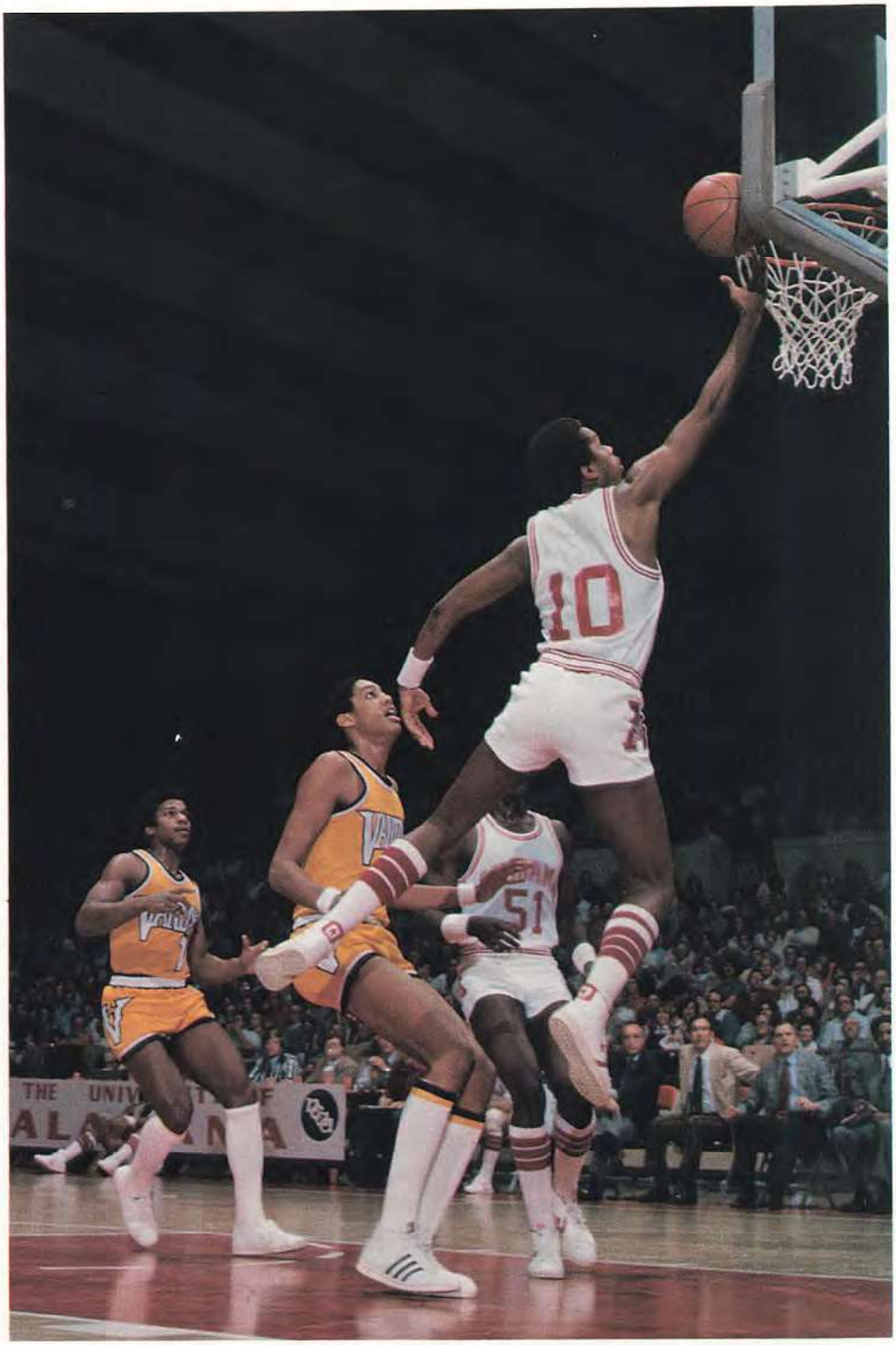
"We had gotten blown out two years in a row in Baton Rouge, but won this time by playing with the smarts. That helps your confidence.

"There is still a long way to go in the conference and our number of losses doesn't look that bad, now. It will be just like last year. The team that wins it will lose three, four, maybe even five games. We still have a very good shot to be one of the teams fighting there at the end.

"I like the way our schedule is. We have the toughest road games behind and we did OK in those games. We still have a lot of tough teams to play, but it is always better to have them coming at you in Tuscaloosa on our court and against our fans.

"I said it before and I think some people didn't really believe me, but we are a conference contender. At the first of the season nobody believed that but the coaches and us, but we knew all we had to do was come along and get some experience for some of the young guys. They have learned fast the hard way.

"I hope I was right. I think we can be there scaring people at the end when it gets close."



Alabama senior guard Robert Scott has the great quickness that has characterized Crimson Tide basketball teams. A frequent sight is Rah Rah breaking away for an uncontested layup. Spectrum-Southeast Photo

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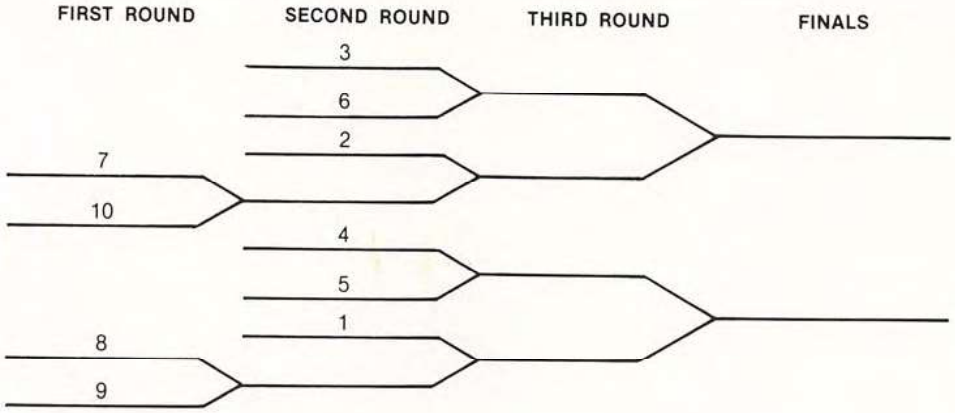

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PICK ALABAMA'S TEAM OF THE DECADE

by Mike Bolton

An almost unbelievable 72 All-Southeastern Conference titles and 28 All-Americas are represented as *'Bama Inside The Crimson Tide* presents its ballot for its readers to pick the Crimson Tide team of the decade.

An astonishing 18 players on the ballot are now playing professional football in the National Football League or the Canadian Football League and scores more are now in the coaching ranks.

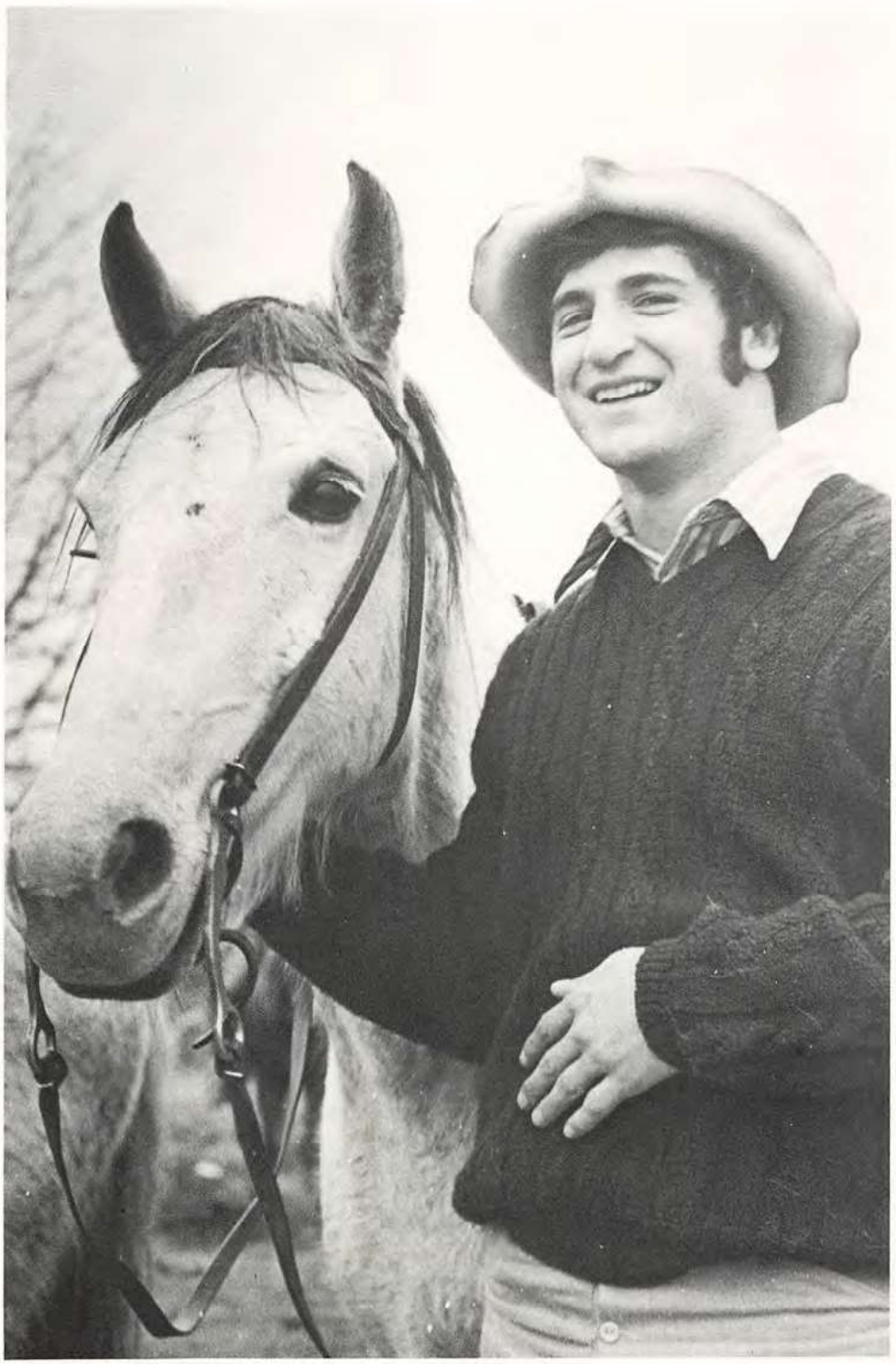
Alabama teams of the 1970's produced 102 wins, 16 losses and one tie on the way to eight conference championships and three national championships. The Crimson Tide has finished in the top five nationally in seven of the ten years and should be an easy winner of the national team of the decade award as it was in the 1960's. Coach Bryant should also be a cinch to capture the coach of the decade laurels he also won during the '60's.

Alabama teams of the 1970's visited five separate bowls in 10 bowl trips and seven times played in bowl games that could have decided the national championship.

The top people that produced the above statistics are included in the ballot and you, the *'Bama* reader, are being asked to pick the best of the best. A write in blank is provided below each category for anyone you feel that has been left off in error and for those wishing not to remove a page from your magazine, your candidates may be sent in on a separate sheet of paper. All ballots must be postmarked no later than February 5, 1980.

The results of the ballots will be revealed in the February issue of 'Bama.

A look down the ballot shows that a lot of thought will have to be put in each selection due to the tremendous amount of competition at each spot.



Italian Stallion Johnny Musso is one of the numerous former All-America and All-SEC players that played for Alabama during the seventies. It is no secret Musso is one of Coach Bryant's all-time favorites.

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Just at the quarterback spot there are three candidates that are presently playing pro ball, but that surely does not mean that the others would not be a wise choice for team of the decade quarterback.

Scott Hunter (Detroit), Richard Todd (New York Jets) and Jeff Rutledge (Los Angeles) are now strutting their stuff for the pros as they once did for Alabama while Terry Davis, Gary Rutledge, Jack O'Rear and Robert Fraley all have gone into the business world. Steadman Shealy is yet undecided what the future holds for him.

Johnny Davis is the only fullback candidate presently playing professional football, but it is a pretty safe bet that Steve Whitman will quickly join him. The other fullback candidates are now all businessmen.

In the halfback department, five of 10 candidates are, or once were, pros. Johnny Musso (Chicago, retired), Wilbur Jackson (San Francisco), Willie Shelby (Baltimore), Calvin Culliver (Calgary) and Tony Nathan (Miami) all got their training under Coach Bryant.

All-America Ozzie Newsome is the only one of the end candidates to play professionally at the present, but that list of candidates is nevertheless one of the toughest to choose from.

Numerous All-Americas are on the offensive tackle section of the ballot and choosing just two should be a mind tingler. Offensive guards of the decade should be even harder to choose with eight All-SEC titles and three present pros represented.

Some pretty decent centers are on the ballot, also, with some of the early players of the '70's expected to press some of the players of late.

John Hannah was the first of three Hannah brothers that spent their college careers with the Crimson Tide in the decade. John is now an All-Pro lineman with the New England Patriots.

Defensively, the ballot could easily be jumbled up into a very good professional team. At end, Mike Raines (Ottawa) is the only present pro, but names like E. J. Junior and Wayne Hamilton may just join him in the next few years. A host of other All-SEC players should make the ends of the decade one of the most interesting and hotly contested.

Choosing two linebackers should be the most fun of all. Woodrowe Lowe (San Diego), Barry Krauss (Baltimore) and Rich Wingo (Green Gay) are all good choices, but how do you leave out names like Thomas Boyd, Jeff Rouzie, Tom Surlas, Wayne Hall and a host of others?

Alabama has been exceptionally strong at defensive tackle in the '70's with Marty Lyons (New York Jets), Bob Baumhower (Miami) and Charles Hannah (Tampa Bay) all presently playing professionally. Byron Braggs and David Hannah, both members of this year's national championship team and the rest of the candidates should provide strong opposition for the two spots, also.

Middle guard is a position Alabama has had for just part of the '70's, but in that time the Crimson Tide has had some good ones. Terry Jones (Green Bay) heads the list that includes crowd favorite Gus White, plus Colenzo Hubbard, Warren Lyles and Curtis McGriff.

Choosing four defensive backs out of a ballot of over 20 players is no easy task, especially with a host of All-Americas and All-SEC players included. Ricky Davis (Kansas City) and Mike Kramer (Toronto) are the pros represented, but a lot of former fan favorites are also included.

The smallest ballots are those of the placekicker and punter positions, but that surely doesn't mean they are the ones that are the easiest to choose from. Richard Ciemny, Bucky Berry, Roger Chapman, Alan McElroy and Bill Davis are the players to see prolonged placekicking action with the Tide during the '70's while Frank Mann, Greg Gantt, Rod Nelson, Buddy Holt and Woody Umphrey are the only players to see much action at punter.

Do you feel like anyone was left off the ballot that should be included? A write-in line is provided under each category and anyone you feel worthy as a member of 'Bama Magazine's team of the decade should be included.

The results of this much awaited for poll will be revealed in the February issue of 'Bama.

BALLOT
'Bama Magazine's Team of the Decade

OFFENSE

Quarterbacks (Choose one)
Terry Davis _____
Robert Fraley _____
Scott Hunter _____
Jack O'Rear _____
Gary Rutledge _____
Jeff Rutledge _____
Steadman Shealy _____
Richard Todd _____
_____ _____

Halfbacks (Choose two)
Randy Billingsley _____
Calvin Culliver _____
Lou Ikner _____
Wilbur Jackson _____
Joe LaBue _____
Johnny Musso _____
Tony Nathan _____
Major Ogilvie _____
Willie Shelby _____
_____ _____

Fullbacks (Choose one)
Ellis Beck _____
Steve Bisceglia _____
Dave Brungard _____
Johnny Davis _____
Paul Spivey _____
Steve Whitman _____
_____ _____

Split Ends (Choose one)
David Bailey _____
Thad Flanagan _____
Joe Dale Harris _____
Keith Pugh _____
Ozzie Newsome _____
Bubba Sawyer _____
Wayne Wheeler _____
_____ _____

Centers (Choose one)
Sylvester Croom _____
Jimmy Grammer _____
Terry Jones _____
Jim Krapf _____
Dwight Stephenson _____
_____ _____

Tight Ends (Choose one)
Jerry Brown _____
Rick Neal _____
Ozzie Newsome _____
Randy Moore _____
George Pugh _____
George Ranager _____
Tim Travis _____
_____ _____

Guards (Choose two)
Mike Brock _____
Vince Boothe _____
Buddy Brown _____
Neil Callaway _____
Bob Cryder _____
Mike Hand _____
David Gerasimchuk _____
Louis Green _____
John Hannah _____
Larry Ruffin _____
_____ _____

Tackles (Choose two)
Buddy Adeyelette _____
Jim Bunch _____
K. J. Lazenby _____
Ray Maxwell _____
Buddy Pope _____
Jimmy Rosser _____
David Sadler _____
Steve Sprayberry _____
_____ _____

DEFENSE

Defensive Backs (Choose four)
Ray Bolden _____
Robin Cary _____
Ricky Davis _____
Andy Gothard _____
Jim Bob Harris _____
Steve Higginbotham _____
Tyrone King _____
Mike Kramer _____
Murray Legg _____
Bobby McKinney _____
David McMakin _____
Don McNeal _____
Lanny Norris _____
Alan Pizzitola _____
Mark Prudhome _____
Mike Tucker _____
Ricky Tucker _____
Steve Wade _____
Tommy Wade _____
Mike Washington _____
Tommy Wilcox _____
_____ _____

Middle Guards (Choose one)
Colenzo Hubbard _____
Terry Jones _____
Warren Lyles _____
Curtis McGriff _____
Gus White _____
_____ _____

Ends (Choose two)
Leroy Cook _____
John Croyle _____
Mike Dubose _____
Paul Harris _____
Wayne Hamilton _____
E. J. Junior _____
John Mitchell _____
Robin Parkhouse _____
_____ _____

SPECIALISTS

Placekickers (Choose one)
Bucky Berry _____
Roger Chapman _____
Richard Ciemny _____
Bill Davis _____
Alan McElroy _____
_____ _____

Tackles (Choose two)
Bob Baumhower _____
Jeff Beard _____
Byron Braggs _____
Randy Hall _____
David Hannah _____
Charles Hannah _____
Skip Kubelius _____
Marty Lyons _____
Mike Raines _____
Terry Rowell _____
_____ _____

Linebackers (Choose two)
Thomas Boyd _____
Conley Duncan _____
Ricky Gilliland _____
Barry Krauss _____
Woodrow Lowe _____
Greg Montgomery _____
Jeff Rouzie _____
Tom Surlas _____
Rich Wingo _____
_____ _____

Punters (Choose one)
Greg Gantt _____
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BAMA'S BOARD KING: JERRY HARPER

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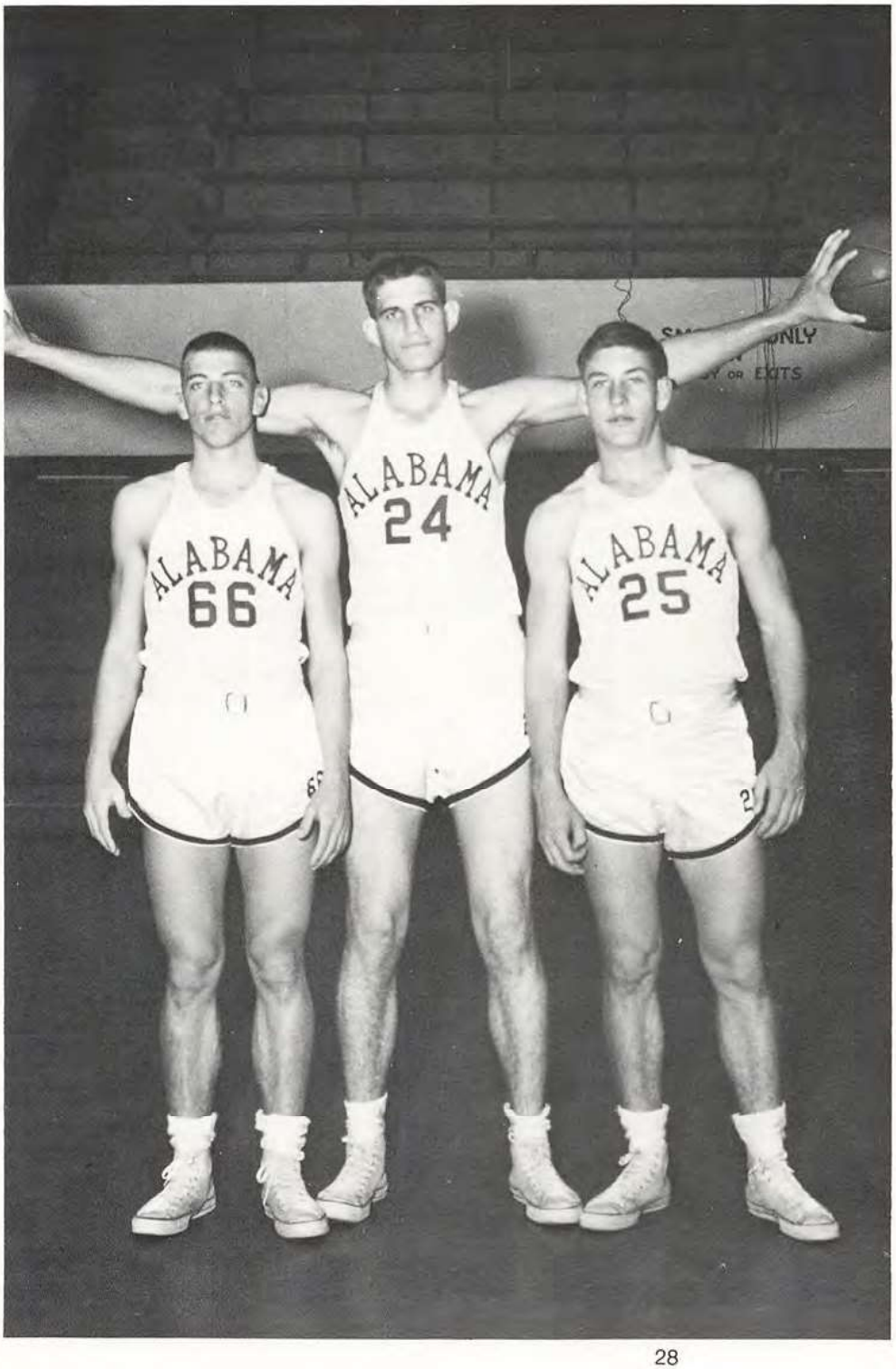

Ask a Southeastern Conference basketball fan of recent vintage to name the conference's all-time leading rebounder and they will likely respond with such names as Tennessee's Bernard King, Kentucky's Rick Robey, Mike Phillips, or Jim Andrews, recent rebounding specialists like Mississippi State's Wiley Peck or Georgia's Tim Bassett, or SEC legends like Cliff Hagan of Kentucky or Bob Pettit of LSU.

If you give that fan a further hint and tell him that the all-time rebound king played for the Alabama Crimson Tide and was a two-time All-American, and he will be quick to offer one of two names—Leon Douglas or Reginald King.

The answer here, as it is on so many multiple-choice questions, is none of the above. The greatest rebounder ever in the SEC was the 6-8 anchor of the Tide's great "Rocket 8" squad of the mid-50's, Jerry (Moose) Harper. In his four-year career, Harper controlled an amazing 1,688 caroms, averaging over 18 a game.

During his senior season, one of the greatest years in 'Bama basketball annals, the Moose collected 517 boards in 24 games, a nightly average of 21.5. (By comparison, last year's conference leader, Wiley Peck, averaged only 11.3 rebounds per outing). In one game during that year, against Louisiana College, Harper grabbed yet another record total, an incredible 33 rebounds.

Harper was not simply a rebounder at Alabama; he was a defensive standout and a prolific scorer. He led the Crimson Tide in scoring during each of his four years—another unmatched achievement in 'Bama basketball history—as the Tide, under Coach Johnny Dee, compiled a 68-25 record.

By the end of his sparkling career, Harper owned every offensive record in

Trivia buffs probably will not be surprised to hear that SEC's all-time rebounder hails from Louisville, Kentucky, but they may be surprised to hear he played for Alabama. The 6-8 center holds rebounding records that may never be broken. University of Alabama Photo

the Alabama books. Many have since been broken, but Harper still tops the 'Bama list for free throw attempts (782), field goal attempts (1687), and career scoring average (20.1 points per game). He was also the SEC scoring champ during his senior season, hitting for 27.3 points each outing.

Oddly, Harper was not highly recruited during his high school days in Louisville, Kentucky. In fact, his scholastic career could fairly be called dismal. Jerry was always large, but as is often the case with tall youngsters, the grace needed for basketball was a long time in coming.

Jerry was cut from his elementary school team and as a freshman at Louisville's Flaget high, he again failed to make the grade. Jerry finally succeeded in surviving the final cut as a sophomore, but saw limited playing time with the junior varsity.

Between his sophomore and junior years, Jerry was seriously wounded in a freak accident while fishing on the Ohio River, Jerry was struck by a hunter's stray bullet. The recovery process was slow and though Jerry was once again a member of the Flaget team, he played little. By the time his senior year arrived, Jerry had as last earned a starting position, only to see his playing time once again curtailed, this time by a broken hand.

It is little wonder that there were not many recruiters beating a hot trail to Jerry's door, despite his 6-8 frame. The major colleges in basketball rich Kentucky showed little interest in Harper, who nevertheless was resolved to play major college basketball. He sought tryouts to all the area's major schools, but was never impressive enough to earn a schoarship. Jerry did, however, manage to catch the eye of one assistant coach during a walk-on effort at Notre Dame University. That assistant coach, Johnny Dee, was named to the head coaching post at Alabama soon afterwards and he persuaded big Moose Harper to come south with him.

Harper was to be the nucleus of one of the great teams in 'Bama basketball history. Along with fellow All-American George Linn, Leon Marlaire, Dennis O'Shea, and Dick Gunder, who all arrived as Alabama freshmen during Dee's first year, Harper led Alabama basketball to heights it had never reached before.

As freshmen, the budding Rocket 8 compiled a respectable 12-9 record, with Harper leading the way, averaging 17 points and 17 rebounds a game, in spite of a serious nose injury which later required surgery. Despite this auspicious beginning, the freshman season of these exciting players would return to haunt them later in their career.

Bama's Jerry Harper was best known as a rebounder, but he was also a shot blocker, as he demonstrates against West Virginia as Bama won the Birmingham Classic behind Harper's 17 points, 21 rebounds.

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Over the next two years, the 'Bama team, and Harper continued their improvement. In the 1953-54 season, the Tide's record improved to 16-8 Harper again being the scoring (17.8) and rebounding (14.9) pacesetter. In another milestone achievement for the year, Alabama had its first 100-point performance, downing Georgia 112-76 behind Harper's 30 points. The next season was even better for both the team—19-5 and second in the conference—and for Harper, who averaged 21 points and 19 rebounds a game, and was selected both All-SEC and Helms Foundation All-America.

Even before the end of the 1955 season, however, Tide fans were looking forward to "next year", when Alabama's all-senior squad, led by Harper, would have perhaps their best shot at ending Kentucky's reign of terror in SEC basketball.

The 1955-56 season started with a bang. The Crimson Tide was ranked sixth in the nation, and reeled off four quick victories to open the year. Harper continued his yeoman work on the boards, but, as he was often double- or even triple-teamed, his offensive output suffered. Despite the victories, fans began to wonder "What's wrong with Moose?".

The question grew stronger when Alabama dropped two games on an Eastern road swing, and downed Tom Heinsohn-led Holy Cross with only ten points from Harper. The answer, of course, was that Harper, surrounded by four talented seniors as well as flashy sophomore Jack Kubiszyn, was no longer required to carry the entire offensive load for the team, which after a third loss to Notre Dame in the Sugar Bowl, ran off five straight wins, despite Harper's decreased role.

The scoring drought, however, was soon to end for Jerry. In a game with Louisiana College, Harper silenced the critics with a 41-point, 33-rebound performance that established new Tide marks in both categories. Asked how he managed to set a rebound record that still stands, Harper replied "I just don't mind getting knocked around in there."

Harper's scoring record would not prove as durable as the rebound standard; he himself broke it the next night with a 43-point performance against Georgia. The domination continued throughout the conference season, which was highlighted by an 88-61 trouncing of nationally ranked Vanderbilt, sparked by Harper's 23 points and a showdown match with perennial conference champion Kentucky.

The Kentucky game was played with the conference crown at stake. A sellout crowd of 11,000 crammed into Montgomery's Garrett Coliseum to see Alabama thrash Kentucky 101-77 as Harper rammed home 37 points against Kentucky's All-American big man, 6-7 Bob Burrow. The beating was the worst ever received by an Adolph Rupp team to that time, and was the first 100-point performance ever against the 'Cats. Even Coach Rupp was moved to admit that Alabama had a "nice team".

That nice team polished off the rest of the SEC, finishing 14-0 in conference play, 21-3 overall, and fourth ranked in the nation. The NCAA tournament berth, however, went to Kentucky, because of an NCAA regulation which prohibited fourth-year players from post-season play. The Tide finished its season in the National AAU tourney, losing by two to the powerful Phillips Oilers. Harper was All-SEC, All-American, and *Coach and Athlete's* Southern Player of the Year. In their presentation, *Coach and Athlete* said "Harper will leave a rich history . . . one that will stand as long as 'Bama fields a team." A quarter of a century later, that prediction still holds true.

BAMA SCORECARD

Hall of Fame

Two former University of Alabama football greats will be among those inducted into the Alabama Sports Hall of Fame at Birmingham's Boutwell Auditorium February 16. LeeRoy Jordan and Don Whitmire earned the honor of joining the 12th class of the ASHF.

Others being inducted are Tuscaloosa high school sports leader Swede Kendall, baseballers Hank Aaron and Bobby Bragan, and Cliff Harper, a leader in sports at the high school level before becoming associate commissioner of the Southeastern Conference.

Tickets for the event, $15 each, may be ordered from Box 414, Fairfield, Alabama 35064.

Honor for Happy

The late Tilden "Happy" Campbell, who led Alabama to nine Southeastern Conference baseball championships, has been honored by the American Association of College Baseball Coaches. Campbell, who died in 1963, was posthumously awarded the Meritorius Service Award recognizing his contributions to the game of baseball at the college level.

Campbell was a football and baseball star at Alabama 1932-34. The native of Pine Bluff, Arkansas, was alternate captain of the undefeated 1934 Bama football squad.

He became head baseball coach in 1935 and served through 1941, when he entered the Navy as a lieutenant commander. He returned from the service in 1945 in time to become an assistant coach for the undefeated Alabama football team. He resumed his duties as head baseball coach in the spring of 1946.

Alabama baseball teams dominated SEC play during his tenure as the Crimson Tide rolled up a 349-140 record.

Bolton Editor

Mike Bolton has been named editor of 'BAMA magazine, replacing Kirk McNair, who is Southeastern manager for the parent company, LeDuc Enterprises.

Bolton served as an assistant in the sports information department while earning his degree at Alabama in journalism. He has written for numerous publications, including the Birmingham *News*, the Tuscaloosa *News*, The Columbus (Ga.) *Ledger-Enquirer* and The *Sports Page*.

He won several awards for student journalism, including the Alabama Sportswriters Association scholarship.

New Trackmen

The Alabama track and field team has added some impressive new faces for the spring season. Tide head coach John Mitchell has signed two junior college men and two experienced freshmen. Barry Darling of Ottawa, Canada, who won the national junior college championship in the javelin, comes to Bama from Ricks (Iowa) Junior College. He has a 248-11 best mark. Brian Friend, a 16-foot pole vaulter, is from Lakeland, Florida by way of Riverside (California) Community College.

The two freshmen are both shot put men and both from Ruykavik, Iceland. They are Hreinn Halldorsson, 30, a 6-3½, 285-pounder who has a 69-2½ best mark and a world ranking; and Gudni Halldorsson, 25, a 6-1½, 270-pounder who has a best of 59-11. They are *not* related.

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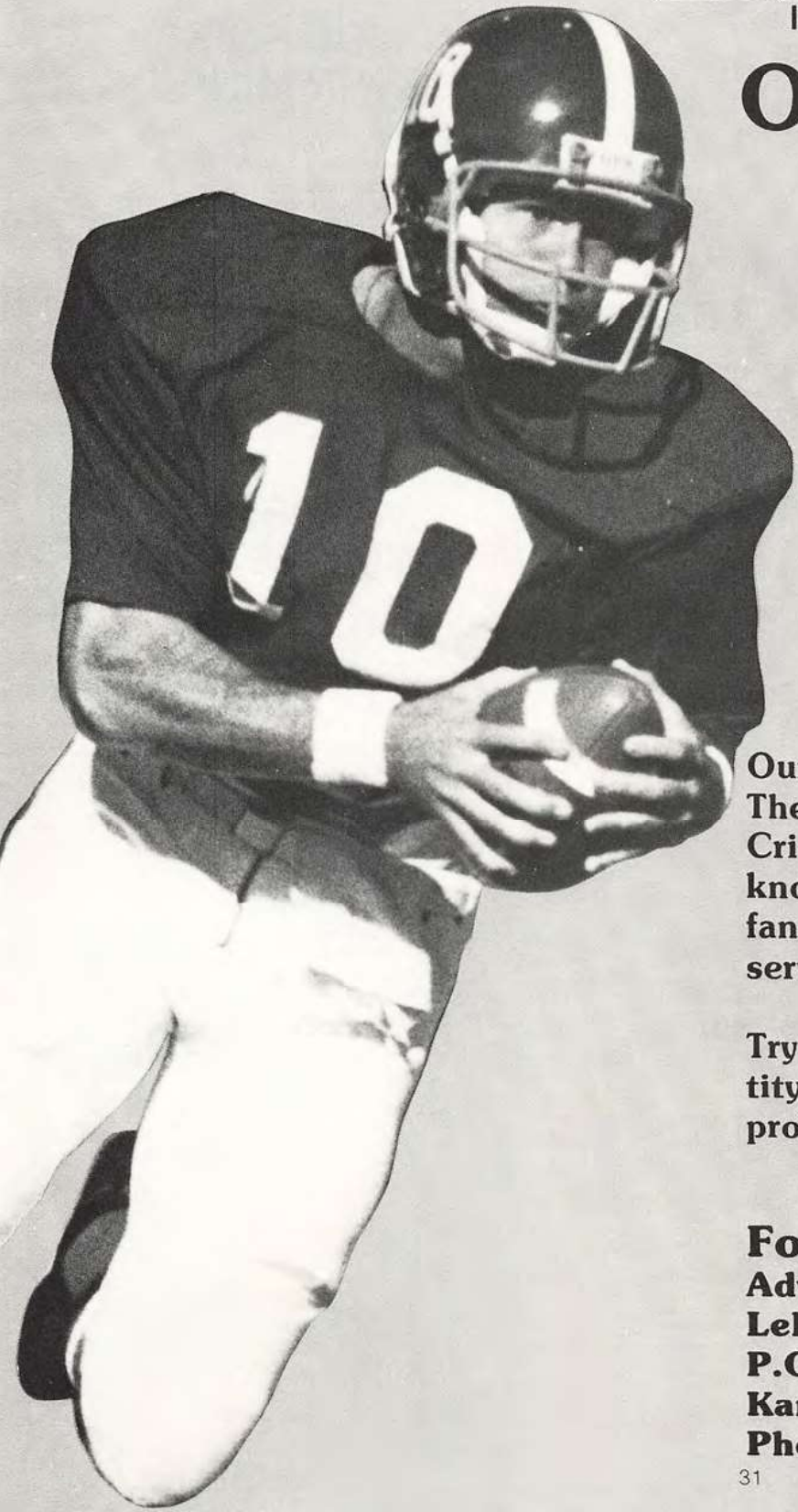

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J. 23 @ Auburn
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F. 9 Kentucky (TV)
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F. 16 @ Florida
F. 20 Auburn
F. 23 @ Vanderbilt (TV)
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N. 15 @ North Carolina (67-45)
N. 16 @ North Carolina St. (36-77)
N. 30 Florida State (81-52)
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J. 5 @ Princeton (71-42)
J. 11 Missouri (76-39)
J. 19 @ Auburn
J. 25 Tulane
J. 26 LSU
F. 2 Tennessee
F. 14-16 SIC @ Athens, Ga.
F. 23 Florida
M. 6-8 SEC @ Athens, Ga.
M. 27-29 NCAA @ Cambridge, Mass.

MEN'S TRACK

J. 19 Houston, FSU, LSU @ LSU
J. 26 @ NE Louisiana Inv.
F. 1-2 @ Indiana Inv.
F. 9 Texas A&M, Houston, Auburn, LSU @ LSU
F. 16 @ Montgomery Inv.
F. 29-M. 1 SEC @ LSU
M. 14-15 NCAA @Detroit

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N. 27 Troy State (90-72)
N. 29 @ Oregon (73-94)
D. 1 @ Mississippi State (72-75)
D. 6 UAH (95-65)
D. 8 @ UAB (75-65)
D. 15 @ Alabama State (85-79)
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J. 26 Arkansas
J. 28 South Alabama
J. 30 South Carolina
F. 2 @ Ole Miss
F. 7-9 SEC @ Tennessee
F. 14 MUW
F. 16 LSU
F. 21-23 State Tourney
M. 6-9 Region Tourney @ Delta State
M. 20-22 National Tourney @ Central Michigan

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J. 19 @ LSU & Houston, FSU
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F. 16 @ Montgomery Inv.

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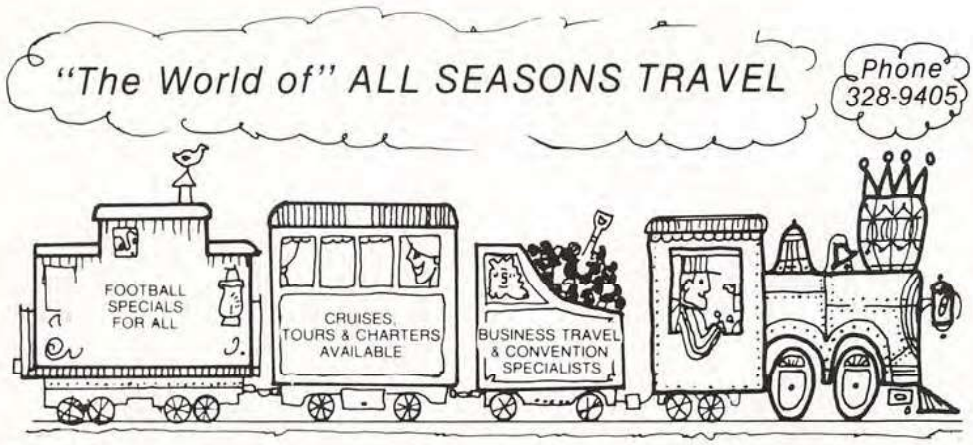

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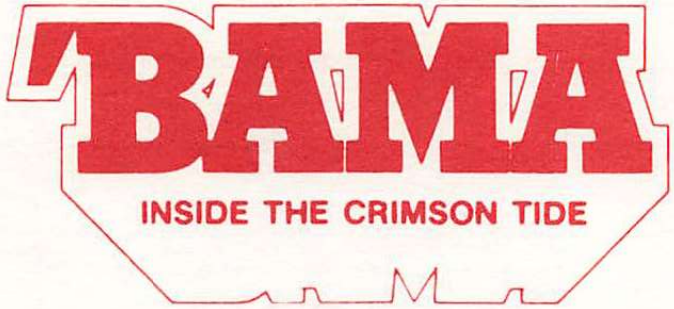

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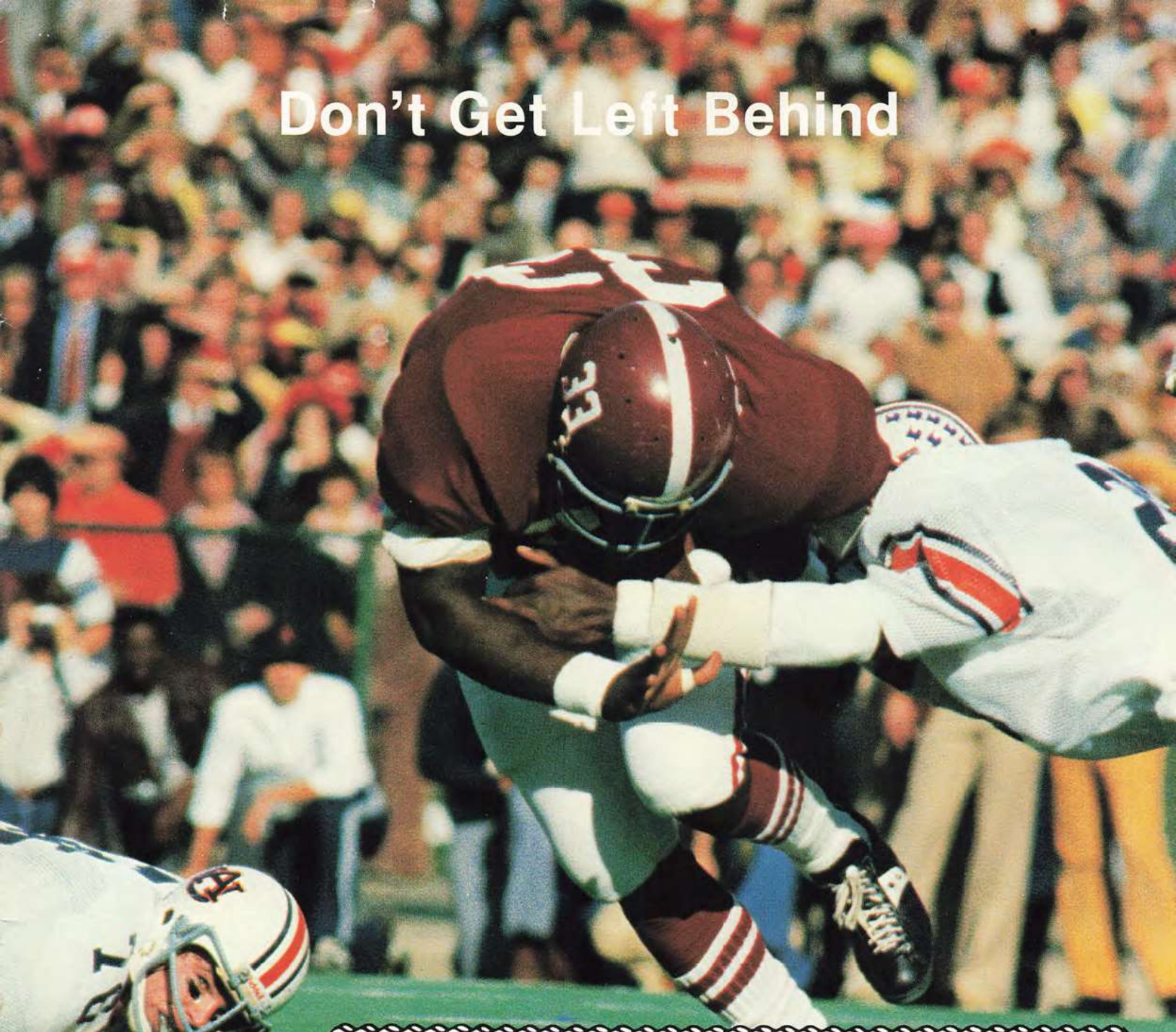

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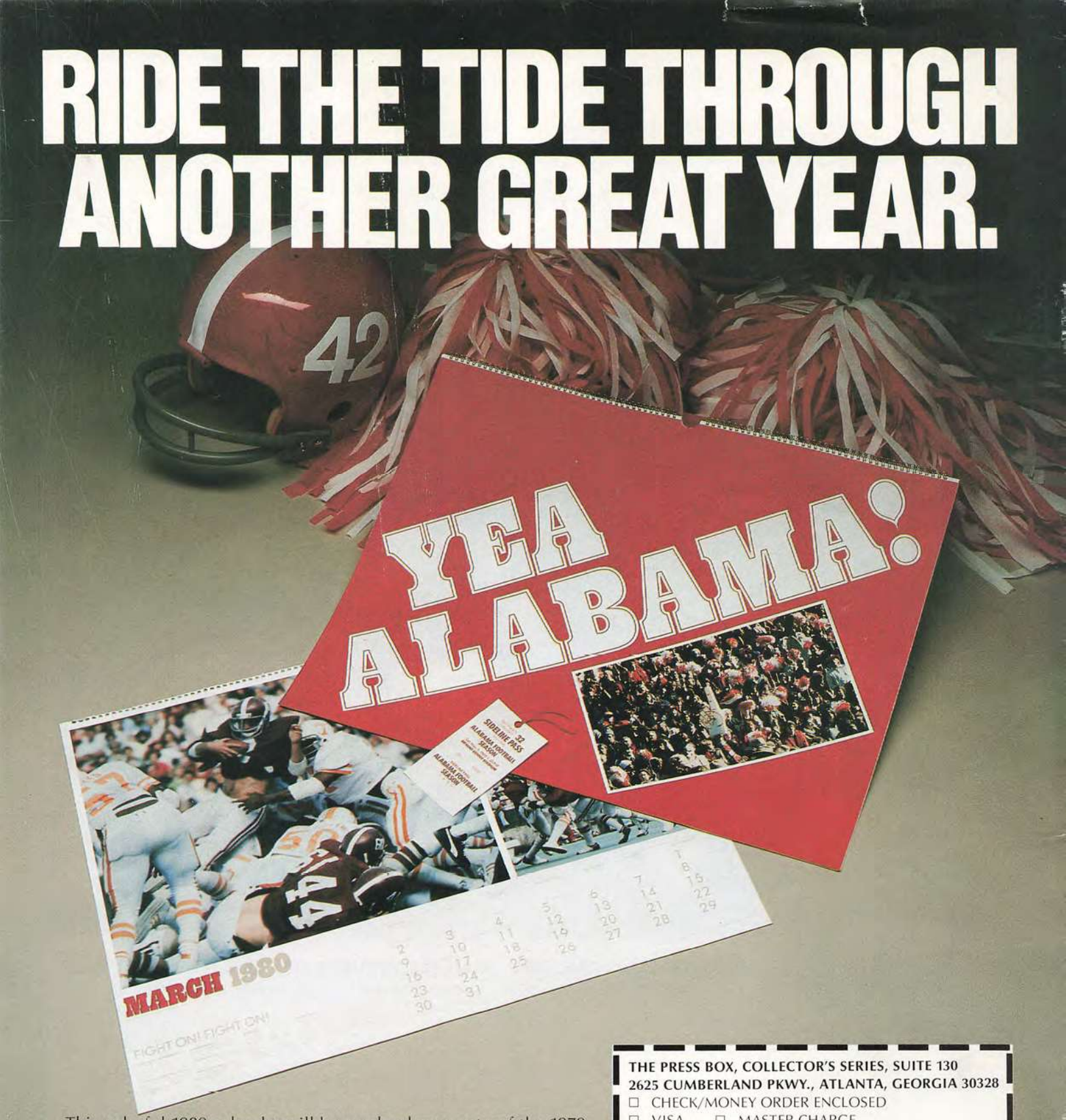

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